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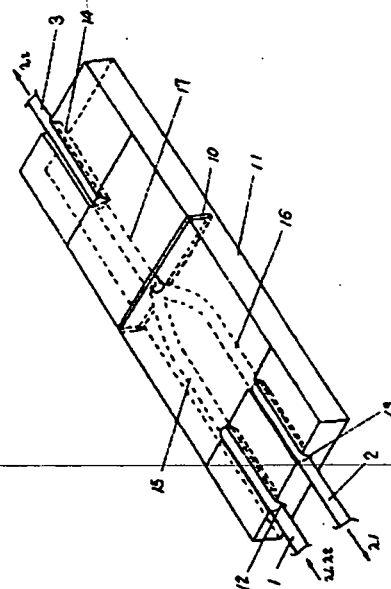
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DEMULTIPLEXING DEVICE



ABSTRACT : PURPOSE: To eliminate the need for adjustment and to reduce the time for assembly by positioning optical fibers fixed in V-grooves on a substrate so as to face each other without the axial mis-alignment from the distributed refractive index waveguides in the substrate and inserting a multi-layered film filter consisting of a dielectric material into the coupling section of the waveguides.

CONSTITUTION: The V-shaped grooves 12~14 are provided to the substrate 11 and the optical fibers 1~3 are fixed therein. The fibers 1~3 are so fixed as not to deviate from the axial centers of the distributed refractive index waveguides 15~17 provided in the substrate 11. The multi-layered film filter 10 consisting of the dielectric material is inserted into the branching and coupling section of the waveguides 15~17. The filter 10 reflects the light of the wavelength λ_1 of the incident light of the wavelengths λ_1, λ_2 from the fiber 1, emits the same from the fiber 2 and emits the light of the wavelength λ_2 from the fiber 3. The light of the wavelengths λ_1 and λ_2 is emitted from the fiber 1 if the light of the wavelength λ_1 is made incident to the fiber 2 and the light of wavelength λ_2 is made incident to the fiber 3. The device which has a low loss and permits easy assembly is thus obtained.

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